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PATENTING REJECTION OVER A PENDING SECOND APPLICATION**

Docket No.  
769-236 Div. 2

In re Application of: **Michael J. McMahon**  
Application No. **09/915,100**  
Filed: **July 25, 2001**

For: **METHODS OF MAKING SLIDE-ZIPPERED RECLOSABLE PACKAGES ON  
HORIZONTAL FORM-FILL-SEAL MACHINES**

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